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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Docket No. 0171-1026P
Application No. 10/679,264-Conf. #3127	Filing Date October 7, 2003	Examiner E. D. Ivey	Art Unit 1775

Applicant(s): Satoshi OKAZAKI et al.

Invention: HALFTONE PHASE SHIFT MASK BLANK, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

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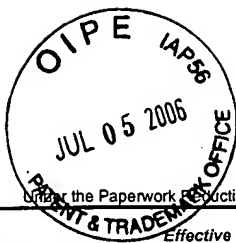
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Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).		Application Number	10/679,264-Conf. #3127
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Filing Date	October 7, 2003
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FEE CALCULATION							
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
		Small Entity		Small Entity		Small Entity	
Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
						Small Entity	
						Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)						200	100
Multiple dependent claims						360	180
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims		
23		- 20 = 3	x 50.00 =	150.00	Fee (\$)		Fee Paid (\$)
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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